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## **TDEM Becomes New Home for Domestic Preparedness Journal**

AUSTIN - The Texas Division of Emergency Management (TDEM) and The Texas A&M University System are proud to announce the Domestic Preparedness (DomPrep) Journal and its associated publications will now be hosted by TDEM.

Established in 1998, DomPrep was created to provide developments on emergency preparedness, disaster response, and resiliency to first responders, health professionals, emergency managers, government officials, non-governmental organizations, and the private sector in a succinct and easy-to-access format.

The journal's website provides access to a catalog of past and present articles. It will continue to publish the online journal each month.

"The DomPrep Journal has been a valuable source of information and new strategies related to emergency management," said Nim Kidd, Chief of the Texas Division of Emergency Management and Texas A&M University System Vice Chancellor of Emergency and Disaster Services.

"TDEM intends to continue the efforts of DomPrep's founding publisher, Martin Masiuk, to provide a reliable, substantive, and informative communication for those working on the front lines of emergency management," Chief Kidd continued.

TDEM is committed to a seamless transition and will continue advancing the important work this journal has accomplished for more than two decades.

"For the past twenty-three years, the intent was and still is to publish content written for and by operational professionals from multiple disciplines," said DomPrep's founding publisher, Martin Masiuk. "As the time comes to find a new steward of the journal and website to maintain and grow the body of work, I am delighted that TDEM and The Texas A&M University System promise to carry on the mission to inform, prepare, and respond."

Masiuk will serve as publisher emeritus for the DomPrep Journal.

<u>September's issue</u> featured <u>commentary</u> from Chief Kidd's firsthand experience as a Texas firefighter responding to the World Trade Center in the aftermath of September 11, 2001.

To sign up for the DPJ Weekly Brief Newsletter, visit domesticpreparedness.com.

In 2019, TDEM joined the Texas A&M System as its eighth state agency. With roots in the civil defense programs established during World War II, TDEM is charged with carrying out a comprehensive all-hazard emergency management program for the State and for assisting cities, counties, and state agencies in planning and implementing their emergency management programs.